

AVIATOR NEWS

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The official newsletter of the Hawks R/C Junior Aviators

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HAWKS
Junior Aviators
"Teaching kids the Wright stuff, one flight at a time"

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NEWSLETTER.

This is actually the third Hawks newsletter in the past few years. The first two were put out by students Cassie and Fred Ashby awhile back, thank you guys, but we never really got moving with it. I'm going to try to put out a newsletter every month from here on out. (All postings are by Tim unless stated otherwise) I'll use "Aviator NEWS" until something better comes along.



RedneckRC Hobby Shop
AMA Membership and all your R/C needs. Call 532-6826 and ask for Marty.
A proud supporter of the Hawks program

DONATIONS

The Hawks program runs on donations from businesses and people like you. If you think like we do that the Hawks is a good program for kids and young adults then give some thought to supporting us financially. The Hawks is a NY state registered 501(c)3 not-for-profit educational program. Donations of even a buck can be given directly to Tim, Dennis, or Marty. The easiest way is to give it directly to Marty at Redneck and tell him it's for the Hawks and I'll get a receipt to you if you request one. To those who have and continue to support us financially we thank you so much. We do this because we enjoy it but we couldn't do it without your continued support.

Thank you
Tim Pease, Hawks Chairman



Elliott Mills and Dennis Redhead



Billy Burlingham and Dennis



Cassie Ashby and Tim Pease



Ross Demidio and Dennis

Coming up!

WORKSHOPS at RedneckRC

Jan 24, Saturday, 1pm to 4 pm
Feb 7, Saturday, 1pm to 4 pm
Feb 21, Saturday, 1pm to 4 pm

INDOOR FLYING at the Oswego Armory

Jan 27, Tuesday, 7pm to 9:30pm
Feb 3, Tuesday, 7pm to 9:30pm
Feb 10, Tuesday, 7pm to 9:30pm
Feb 14, Saturday, 1pm to 6pm
Feb 17, Tuesday, 7pm to 9:30pm
Feb 24, Tuesday, 7pm to 9:30pm

LOCAL STUFF

Jan 31, Saturday, ARCS/STARS Forum, in SYR, 9am til 4pm, indoor flying, etc. see D2 calendar, www.amadistrictii.org

NEW HAWKS MEMBERS for 2009: They are [Cuinn Burlingham](#) and [Makaylee Pulver](#). Makaylee likes the Parkzone Vapor more than the Ember II and will probably picked up her own Vapor at the hobby shop by the time you read this.

INDOOR FLYING (at the Oswego Armory)

We continue to fly indoors this winter on Tuesday nights at the Oswego YMCA in the Armory building. We'll be there every Tuesday until the last Tuesday in March. There are usually a dozen or more pilots there every Tuesday night. The Hawks pay a monthly fee for use of the gym through nightly admission fees and donations. A few of last years Hawks students are flying indoors this year, Billy, Elliott, Anthony, are Ross are all flying on their own and having a ball. Even new 2009 Hawks member young Makaylee Pulver has begun flying the Hawks Vapor on her own after only about 3 flights on the buddy box. Flying indoors is a lot of fun and is so easy to do.

Everyone who flew as a Hawks student last year should be flying indoors. You guys could do this with your eyes closed. The Hawks has a "Vapor" and an "Ember II" for students to use until they build or get their own and did I mention flying was free for Hawks members. So what's keeping you home? The cold? get over it and come on out.



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HAS YOUR EMAIL CHANGED?

Tim Pease sends out most of the Hawks and OVM emails, at least one a week. If you're not getting emails from Tim then he doesn't have yours or yours has changed and you didn't let Tim know. Send Tim an email update.
tpease1@twcny.rr.com
(don't forget the number 1 after tpease)



Anthony at work

WORKSHOPS

The Hawk's workshops are held in the big back room at RedneckRC hobbies. This is the place where any and all hawks students can come to work on their own plane or work on the Hawk's BTE "Flyin King" which is a group effort. The King will become the Hawk's flagship aircraft. Besides the basic 4 channels it'll have flaps, running lights, landing lights, bomb drop doors, and we're having someone do the graphics for us. It's going to look sick.

AMA MEMBERSHIP

If you are planning on flying with us either indoors at the Oswego Armory or outdoors at the field this year you will need to renew your AMA membership. After all it's only a dollar or for \$15 you also get 12 issues Model Aviation magazine. Tim Pease has the AMA membership forms with him on Tuesdays at the Armory or you can renew at Redneck's. YOU WILL NEED THIS TO FLY!

LOOKING FOR INSTRUCTORS:

We are looking for a few people to help out with the Hawks program. Dennis may be leaving mid season to go to school. In that case instruction at the field will be limited to Tim Pease and Tom Vandegrift and Tom can't always make it. So we're looking for another Instructor or two. If you're interested talk to Tim.

Summer flying starts June 2nd (That's like forever away!)



Some big thing in a green T-shirt and Jessica



Grant with Instructor Tom Vandegrift

IMPORTANT LINKS

Hawks - www.junioraviators.org
Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) - www.modelaircraft.org
Academy of Model Aeronautics District 2 (D2) - www.amadistrictii.org



BAILING OUT?

If any of you (students) know that you will not be continuing in the Hawks program this coming season. Please drop Tim an email or call him to let him know so we make room for new students.

BTE "Flyin King"



Hanger-9 "Funtana X-50"

NAME THE PLANE CONTEST:

As you may know I have been naming my planes for the last several years. In fact we have even named a few of the Hawks trainer planes. There was the "Maryess" and of course we still have "Sweet Pea III". There's a guy I know who fly's R/C and does vinyl graphics work on the side. We're going to have him supply the graphics for our "Flying King". We're having a contest to put a name on the King and also pick a name for the Hawks new Funtana X-50 electric 3D aircraft. Sorry there's no money involved but you will get bragging rights.

The winning plane name will get placed on the nose of the plane and the winning person's name will go on the plane as the pilot. Your name will live forever or until either plane crashes. The two runner up names (3rd and 4th place finishers) will get placed on the 2 Hawks LT trainer that right now don't have a name. You can give me your suggestions in person, by email, just slip me a piece of paper, or go to Marty's (RedneckRC Hobby Shop) and next to the Hawks display case that's on the wall is a coffee can. In that can are forms you can fill out to submit what you think the name should be. Just fill it out and leave it in the can. I'll pick them up.

Note: writing down "Homer" 100 times will not get that name selected. This is not a raffle. Write it down a lot of different names but only once. We'll put the names on a list and we'll narrow them down and vote on the 4 winning names at the Hawks March meeting.